

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 57th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE SUBCOMMITTEE ON HB 69

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN RICK DALE** March 13, 2001; March 15, 2001 and March 17, 2001.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Rick Dale, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Larry Cyr (D)
Rep. Rick Laible (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Holly Jordan, Committee Secretary
Larry Mitchell, Legislative Branch

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

The subcommittee on HB 69 met on four occasions. The purpose of these meetings was to address all concerns of the bill. The participants of the various meetings were as follows:

Mike Collins, Independent Montana Miners
John Hinder, Graymont Western U.S. Inc.
Dirk Nelson, Montana Tunnels
Warren McCullough, DEQ/EMB
Jan Sensibaugh, DEQ
Curt Chisholm, DEQ
John North, DEQ
Stephen Walsh, Montana Resources
Greg Stricker, Montana Resources
John Tubbs, DNRC
Mark Etchart, BKBH
Bonnie Gestring, MEIC
Aaron Browning, NPRC
Pete Strazdas, DEQ

Patrick Judge, MEIC
Haley Beaudry, self
Gene Nelson, Montana Mining Association
Ted Antonioli, Missoula Montana Mining Association
Angela Janacaro, Montana Mining Association

In the first meeting the subcommittee was given a history of the bill. That meeting was not recorded. The other three meetings were recorded and the tapes are provided. There were exhibits submitted which are as follows:

- EXHIBIT (nah57a01)** - Map
- EXHIBIT (nah57a02)** - Governor's Budget State of Montana
- EXHIBIT (nah57a03)** - SMES Status February 2001
- EXHIBIT (nah57a04)** - Metal Mine Performance Bonds and State Liability
- EXHIBIT (nah57a05)** - Memo from Roger Lloyd
- EXHIBIT (nah57a06)** - Memo from Montana Resources
- EXHIBIT (nah57a07)** - Comparison of the Small Miners Statement
- Exclusion
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a08)** - Comparison of the Metal Mine
- Reclamation Act
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a09)** - Amendments from Golden Sunlight Mine
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a10)** - Amendments
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a11)** - Metal Mine Performance Bonds and State Liability
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a12)** - Golden Sunlight Mine/Operating Permit
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a13)** - Appendix B
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a14)** - Amendments by **REP. MCCANN**
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a15)** - Amendments by DEQ
 - EXHIBIT (nah57a16)** - RIT Changes in Distribution

ADJOURNMENT

Last Meeting Held March 17, 2001

REP. RICK DALE, Chairman

HOLLY JORDAN, Secretary

RD/HJ

EXHIBIT (nah57aad)